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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

RE: Application Serial No.: 09/824,768

Applicants: Minoru KUNIYOSHI, et al.

Filing Date: April 4, 2001

For: TREATED MANGANESE ORE, PROCESS FOR

PRODUCING THE SAME, AND USE THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 1754 Examiner: S. BOS

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (TWO MONTHS)

Our check in the amount of \$420.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is hereby requested that a two month extension of time be granted to February 16, 2004, for	
	filing a response to the Official Action dated:
	responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
	filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
	responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
	filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection was filed on December 10, 2003.
	filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
	Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.
The required fee of \$420.00 is enclosed herewith by check and any further charges may be made against the Attorney	

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